

Dear FCC Commissioner:

This merger is really a simple matter: Does eliminating competition increase competition? Does eliminating choices increase consumer choice? Are consumers better served by a single large company with a monopoly on GSM service, than by multiple carriers who compete with one another?

The answer to all these questions is NO. There is only one reason to approve this transaction--to satisfy AT&T's greed and desire for a monopoly.

This amount of consolidation--over 80% in the hands of the top two--wouldn't be allowed in the oil industry, the retail industry, or the banking sector. WHY would this be a good thing in communications, then?

Please say NO to this merger--NO on any terms. Simply asking AT&T to divest a few tiny pieces of its empire would not be sufficient to make this deal serve the public interest.

Respectfully,
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